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Mr. O. E. Peterson, Secretary
Kiwanis International
101 East Erie Street
Chicago 11, Illinois

Dear Mr. Peterson:

Thank you very much for your letter of
14 January inviting me to speak before the
Kiwanis International Convention at Miami
Beach on 27 June.

I sincerely regret that I will be unable to
accept your kind invitation as I am planning to
be out of the country on that date. However,
your courtesy in asking me to join you is indeed
appreciated and I would like to take this oppor-
tunity to wish you every success in your convention.

With kindest regards *and deep regrets* *

Sincerely,

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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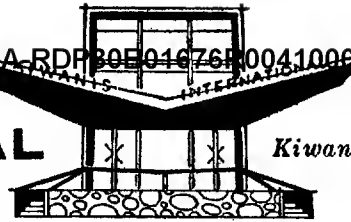
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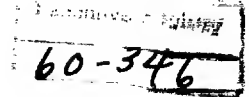
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January 14, 1960

Office of the Secretary



My dear Mr. Dulles:

On behalf of the President of Kiwanis International, the 1960 Convention Committee, and the entire membership of Kiwanis, it is my privilege to invite you to appear as a speaker on our convention program Monday evening, June 27th, at the Miami Beach Exhibition Hall in Miami Beach, Florida.

More than twelve thousand Kiwanians, their ladies and their families are expected to be on hand. This will be one of the largest conventions in the history of Kiwanis.

The theme of our convention is "Freedom is up to You". Because you and the organization you head are so completely identified with the maintenance of freedom everywhere that it is threatened, we feel that a message from you would add much to the success of our convention, would be completely in harmony with our theme, and would provide a never-to-be-forgotten memory in the minds of all who attend the affair.

We would like for Mrs. Dulles to be our guest as well. Naturally, Kiwanis International would pay your expenses, those of Mrs. Dulles, and an appropriate honorarium.

May we hear from you, Mr. Dulles, at your convenience?

Cordially,

O. E. PETERSON
Secretary

Mr. Allen W. Dulles
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